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1. INDOCHINA

THREE PL SOLDIERS SHOW NO SIGNS GIVING UP 3-DAY  
OCCUPATION US CHARGE CHAPMAN'S COMPOUND. EMBASSY  
PROTESTED SIT-IN, BUT MFA'S PROMISE SOLDIERS WOULD  
BE REMOVED HAS NOT BEEN KEPT (WP; AP SUN, GLOBE).

PUBLIC HUMILIATION OF OFFICIALS ACCUSED OF ASSOCIATING  
WITH AMERICANS, RECANTATIONS, GOING ON ALL OVER LAOS  
AS PL INCREASE CONTROL (AP SUN, GLOBE). NYT'S KAMM  
DESCRIBES "LIBERATION" OF VILLAGE BY PL THAT INVOLVED  
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4 HOURS OF SPEECHMAKING BEFORE APATHETIC PUBLIC,  
CONFESION OF WRONGDOING BY OFFICIALS, CONFESSIONS  
BY THOSE CRITICIZED. IN 6/22 NYT, KAMM SAYS IN VIRTUAL  
SURRENDER OF NON-COMMUNISTS TO PL, NO ELEMENT COLLAPSED

MORE QUICKLY, COMPLETELY, THAN ARMED FORCES TRAINED,  
PAID, EQUIPPED BY US.

PP RADIO SAYS FONMIN SARIN CHHAK VISITED SEVERAL  
COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ALBANIA, YUGO, THAT SUPPORTED  
KR DURING WAR (NYT; WP). ALSO CLAIMS 100 US MARINES

KIA DURING KOH TANG FIGHTING, THOUGH DOD SAYS 41 KIA  
(AP SUN; WP).

REFUGEES ESCAPING INTO THAILAND SAY CAMBODIA HEADING  
FOR DISASTER, PREDICT MILLION MAY DIE OVER NEXT 2 YRS  
BECAUSE OF FORCED EVACUATION CITIES. MAIN SOURCES  
OF FOOD AID WOULD BE PRC, NVN, BUT NEITHER HAS SAID  
IS HELPING (REUTER, WP). PP RADIO ACCUSES VOLAG MEMBERS  
WHO WORKED IN COUNTRY OF BEING CIA AGENTS (AP, SUN).

RECENTLY DECLASSIFIED ICRC REPORTS INDICATE LARGE-SCALE  
BRUTALITY IN SVN PRISONS (NOVITSKI/LIPPMAN, WP 6/22)  
USED DURING WAR TO SEPARATE FRIEND FROM FOE IN COMBAT  
ZONES, AND CONFINE FOES (NOVITSKI/LIPPMAN, IN USIA WIRE-  
LESS FILE). PHUQUOC PRISON WAS MAJOR ICRC CONCERN  
(NOVITSKI, WP 6/21), WHILE QUINHON PRISON DESCRIBED  
AS SITE OF "INTOLERABLE CRUELTY" (LIPPMAN, WP).

AFSC'S KNIGHT/SHANNON (GLOBE 6/22) WONDER WHAT EVER HAPPENED  
TO PREDICTED SVN "BLOODBATH"; CLAIM EARLIER STORIES OF  
NVN, VC MASS SLAYINGS DURING LAND-REFORM IN NVN IN  
1956, AND AT HUE DURING TET 1968, WERE FABRICATIONS.  
LARDNER (WP 6/21) REPORTS SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE  
DISCLOSED US CONSIDERED DIEM'S ASSASSINATION IN 1963,  
REJECTED IN HIGH-LEVEL DECISION.

VIET MIL FORCES HAVE FOUGHT BATTLES WITH COMMUNISTS  
IN CAMBODIA, SEEM PREPARING FOR CLASHES IN LAOS AS  
WELL. BATTLES CAUSED BY CENTURIES-OLD FRONTIER  
DISPUTES, OR NVA UNWILLINGNESS WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM  
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SANCTUARIES ESTABLISHED DURING WAR. HANOI'S READINESS  
FIGHT NEIGHBORING COMMUNIST-LED ARMIES HAS SPURRED  
SEA FEARS NVN PLANS MAKE EMPIRE OF REGION; BUT US NOT  
CONVINCED HANOI REALLY INTENDS EMBARK ON CONQUEST  
(UPI, NYT 6/21).

IN COMMENT ON SECSTATE 6/18 SPEECH BEFORE JAPAN  
SOCIETY, NVN SAYS US HAS NOT DRAWN "NECESSARY LESSONS"  
FROM INDOCHINA FAILURE. STATES US STILL STICKS TO  
NEOCOLONIALIST POLICY OF INTERVENTION IN INTERNAL  
AFFAIRS ASIAN COUNTRIES (GLOBE 6/22).

SAIGON CIVILIANS AID SECURITY FORCES BREAK UP 2

ANTI-GOVT ORGANIZATIONS, ACCORDING RADIO SAIGON (WP).  
NVN, SVN DELEGATES TO INTL WOMEN'S YR CONFERENCE  
IN MEXICO GIVE IMPRESSION BOTH PLAN APPLY SOON FOR  
SEPARATE UN MEMBERSHIPS (CSM). HIGH-RANKING HANOI  
SOURCE SAYS VN WILL BE TOTALLY REUNIFIED BY END NEXT  
YEAR (AFP WP, GLOBE).

LOCKHEED SAYS BEING SUED FOR 545 MILLION DOLS BY  
SURVIVORS, NEXT-OF-KIN, OF THOSE KILLED IN APRIL  
C-5 CRASH NEAR SAIGON (WSJ).

## 2. CHINA

ASNE GROUP ARRIVES IN HK, ENDING 25-DAY PRC VISIT  
(AP, SUN). GROUP OF AMERICAN INDIANS FROM VANCOUVER  
AREA--STYLED "CANADIAN NATIVE PEOPLE'S FRIENDSHIP  
DELEGATION" BY OFFICIAL PRC MEDIA -- ENDS 20-DAY  
CHINA STAY (WP).

NCNA CHARGES SOVIET IS TRYING UNDERMINE EFFORTS  
TO NEGOTIATE JAPAN-PRC PEACE TREATY (WP). LUANDA  
REPORTS DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAY PRC, SOVIET WEAPONS  
BEING SUPPLIED RIVAL AFRICAN GROUPS SEEKING CONTROL  
OF ANGOLA AFTER NOV 11 INDEPENDENCE (SUN, CSM).

"STUDY AND CRITICISM" MAG GIVES DETAILED GUIDANCE ON  
HOW TO SPOT PRC-STYLE BOURGEOISE-LOAFING, FEAR  
OF HARD WORK, GOSSIPING, ETC (REUTER, SUN).  
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## 3. THAILAND

THAI FIVE-MEMBER DELEGATION LEFT PEKING FOR HOME SUNDAY  
AFTER "SATISFACTORY" NEGOTIATIONS ON IMPENDING  
ESTABLISHMENT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS (AFP, NYT).

NYT'S ANDELMAN, IN YALA, REPORTS COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS  
OPERATING FREELY IN SOUTHERN THAI FRONTIER PROVINCES  
(IN USIA WIRELESS FILE).

WSJ'S KANN SAYS THAILAND GROWING LESS ATTRACTIVE TO  
FOREIGN INVESTORS, AS RESULT INTERNAL INSTABILITY  
AND EXTERNAL THREATS. BUT DESPITE PROBLEMS, COUNTRY  
REMAINS HEALTHIER THAN MOST DEVELOPING NATIONS.  
ACCORDING STANDARD AND CHARTERED REVIEW, THAILAND  
EXPECTED TO HAVE EXPORTABLE SURPLUS OF 610,000 TONS  
RAW SUGAR THIS YEAR (JOC).

## 4. AUSTRALIA/NZ

LABOR GOVT CUTS ONE MORE TIE WITH BRITISH CROWN,  
CONFERS FIRST DOMESTIC AWARDS ON PERSONS WHO HAVE

GIVEN OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO COUNTRY. NEW CONTROVERSIAL  
SOCIALIZED MEDICINE PROGRAM TO START JULY 1; OPPOSED  
BY AUSSIE MED ASSN, NSW, VICTORIA, WEST AUSTRALIA  
AND WILL BE WATCHED CLOSELY BY ALL (MILLAR, CSM).

GONZ STUDIES O'SEAS COMPANIES' PROPOSALS FOR NATURAL  
GAS EXPLOITATION (JOC).

5. MARIANAS

ISLANDS STEP OUT OF WAR PAST, WILL BECOME AMERICAN  
JULY 1; TINIAN REAPS BENEFITS OF MIL SPENDING, SAIPAN  
CAPITALIZES ON TOURISM (UPI, GLOBE 6/22).

6. KOREA

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GOVT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED SUNDAY THAT SK HAS ORDERED  
ALL ROK EMPLOYEES INTO SPECIAL "THIRD DEGREE"  
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EMERGENCY ALERT FOR ANY POSSIBLE NK MIL ACTION (AP  
SUN, WP; OBERDORFER, WP 6/22; UPI GLOBE 6/22; CSM).  
OBERDORFER ADDS THAT SK RESIDENCE CARD REGULATIONS  
ARE BEING TIGHTENED, AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION  
STIFFENED.

PYONGYANG BRANDS SCHLESINGER "NOTORIOUS WAR MANIAC"  
AND PRES FORD "VILLAINOUS BOSS OF WAR" FOLLOWING SECDEF'S  
HINT NUKES MIGHT BE USED IN KOREA; NK INSISTS  
REPORTS OF POSSIBLE INVASION OF SOUTH ARE "RIDICULOUS  
RUSE" (AP GLOBE, SUN, WP; UPI, NYT).

7. JAPAN

WP'S ROLLOW (6/21) IN TOKYO, SAYS, IN VIEW OF POLITICAL  
OBSERVERS, JAPAN'S FAZLURE TO RATIFY NPT CAN BE BLAMED  
ON DOMESTIC POLITICAL PROBLEMS. MOFA OFFICIALS CONCERNED  
FAILURE TO RATIFY PACT MIGHT RAISE SUSPICIONS AMONG  
OTHER NATIONS THAT JAPAN WILL REARM WITH NUKES; THEY  
ALSO FEAR DELAY MAY AFFECT THEIR SUPPLY OF RESOURCES  
FROM ABROAD FOR PEACEFUL USES ATOMIC ENERGY.

HALLORAN (NYT) OBSERVES THAT WITH ONLY TWO WEEKS  
TO GO IN CURRENT SESSION, PARLIAMENT HAS SO FAR FAILED TO  
PASS ANY OF MIKI'S PROMISED MAJOR LEGISLATION, THUS  
JEOPARDIZING HIS POLITICAL STANDING, THOUGH APPEARS NO  
IMMEDIATE DANGER TO PM'S HOLD ON OFFICE (6/22).

TREASURY, INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, CLEAR JAPANESE  
PORTABLE ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER IMPORTERS OF POSSIBLE ANTI-  
DUMPING DUTIES (WSJ, JOC).

FLYING TIGER RECENTLY FLEW ENTIRE 17,500-POUND AUTOMATED

TAPE LIBRARY SYSTEM TO JAPAN FROM US, THOUGH  
ELECTRONIC/COMPUTER PRODUCTS GENERALLY THOUGHT OF  
AS MOVING IN OTHER DIRECTION (JOC).

AMSTERDAM STOCK EXCHANGE NOW LISTS 27 JAPANESE FIRMS,  
MORE THAN ON ANY OTHER NON-JAPANESE FINANCIAL EXCHANGE,  
AND MUCH JAPANESE FINANCIAL ACTIVITY IN EUROPE IS  
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DIRECTED FROM AMSTERDAM (POST, JOC). JOC CARRIES  
SPECIAL 14-PAGE SECTION ON "JAPAN; GROWTH STABILIZATION  
KEYSTONE FOR THE FUTURE."

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. INDOCHINA

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP) NOTE UN CONTINUES IGNORE FORCED  
EVACUATION ESTIMATED 3 MILLION CAMBODIANS, CALL IT  
GREATEST ATROCITY SINCE NAZIS GASSED JEWS. QUOTE  
INTELL MEMO PREPARED FOR WH THAT DESCRIBES PROGRAM,  
HYPOTHEZIZED REASON AS DESIRE OF COMMUNISTS REMAKE  
KHMER SOCIETY IN SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME (IN USIA  
WIRELESS FILE).

EVANS/NOVAK (WP) SEE US HUMILIATION IN LAOS AS REMINDER  
OF POLICY FAILURE IN INDOCHINA. BELIEVE US DIPLOMATS  
IN VIENTIANE FAVOR SOME AID ON GROUNDS LAOS NO  
CAMBODIA, AS STRESSED BY HABIB IN VISIT, AND AID MAY  
SOFTEN PL COMMUNISM, REDUCE NVN CONTROL, PERHAPS  
MAINTAIN VESTIGIAL US INFLUENCE. SEE SOUVANNA  
SUCCUMBING TO WISHFUL THINKING ON INDEPEDENT, UNIFIED  
COUNTRY. OPINE NVN MAY BE REALLY RUNNING COUNTRY AND  
PRESENT SLEEPY BRAND OF COMMUNISM WILL NOT LAST  
LONG. CONCLUDE TOTAL US DISENGAGEMENT ; RETAINING  
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IF POSSIBLE -- COULD PROVE  
LEAST HUMILIATING US COURSE AS SEEN BY REST OF REGION  
(IN USIA READING FILE).

9. MARIANAS

WP 6/21) SALUTES ISLANDS ON VOTE, BELIEVES CONGRESS  
SHOULD HURRY TO ACT ON IT, WONDERS IF STRATEGIC RATIONALE  
FOR PROMOTING COMMONWEALTH IS RELEVANT NOW. THINKS  
CONGRESS SHOULD QUESTION SEPARATION OF ISLANDS FROM REST  
OF TRUST TERRITORY, HOLD OFF FINAL DECISION ON MARIANAS  
UNTIL CHOICES FOR REST OF TERRITORY CLARIFIED, WITH  
FUTURE DETERMINED RELATED TO PROCESS INVOLVING  
MARIANAS.

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10. DIEGO GARCIA

WSTAR (6/22) AGREES SOVIET PRESENCE PROVIDES VALID RATIONALE FOR BUILDING UP DIEGO GARCIA TO MAINTAIN CREDIBLE INDIAN OCEAN POWER BALANCE.

11. CHINA

WU (SUN), IN PEKING, OBSERVES PRC SEX EQUALITY BATTLE, SET OFF WHEN ANTI-CONFUCIUS BATTLE BEGAN, MAKING SLOW PROGRESS, WITH LONG WAY TO GO. OLD PHILOSOPHY, HABITS, TOO DEEPLY ROOTED TO BE

ERADICATED WITHIN SHORT TIME (IN USIA WIRELESS FILE). EDITORIALLY, SUN CITES WU FINDINGS THAT GPCR HAS BEEN REPLACED BY OMNIPRESENT CAMPAIGN FOR UNITY AT EVERY LEVEL SOCIETY. SUGGESTS THIS LIKELY BUILD STRONGER, HEALTHIER PRC AND GIVE COUNTRY STAKE IN STABLE WORLD. IS CERTAIN PEKING'S CONTINUING INTEREST IN FULL RELATIONS WITH US IS OPPORTUNITY WASHINGTON NOT LIKELY LET SLIP (IN USIA WIRELESS FILE).

WP'S GREENWAY, IN HK, SEES PRC CLEARLY WORRIED THAT HANOI'S VICTORY AND US DEFEAT IN VN WILL RESULT IN INCREASED SOVIET INFLUENCE IN REGION. CHINESE FEAR US MAY NO LONGER BE ABLE PLAY STABILIZING, COUNTER-BALANCING ROLE PEKING HAD PLANNED FOR SINCE SINO-US DETENTE BEGAN.

RICHARD GILLULY (SUN) NOTES BACK-TO-FARMS MOVEMENT IN PRC; SEES POSSIBILITY DEVELOPING NATIONS MIGHT ADOPT SIMILAR PLAN.

12. KOREA

LAT'S DONOVAN (IN 6/22 GLOBE) NOTES JUNE 24 IS 25TH ANNIVERSARY KOREAN WAR; IN AFTERMATH VN AND REDUCTION SK TO "REPRESSIVE, RIGHT-WING DICTATORSHIP," NOT EASY TO ANSWER QUESTION WHETHER IT WAS WORTH COST.

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,3. JAPAN

- CHITRIB CONCEDES HAK, IN 6/18 ADDRESS URGING AISA ALLIES ASSUME PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING THEIR OWN DEFENSE, DID NOT MENTION JAPAN; BUT CONTENDS HE

WAS ADDRESSING JAPAN SOCIETY, AND IF "COMBAT BOOT FITS, ONE SHOULD WEAR IT." JAPAN'S TOKEN DEFENSE UNREALISTIC TODAY AS US RELATIVE POWER DECLINES; URGES TOKYO SHAKE OFF POPULAR HORROR OF MILITARISM, FAVORS MODIFICATION JAPANESE CONSTITUTIONAL RENUNCIATION OF WAR.

AS EXAMPLES OF US-JAPAN "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP" MENTIONED BY KISSINGER IN JAPAN SOCIETY TALK, NYT (6/22) CITES SK-NK AND SINO-SOVIET SITUATIONS FOR TOKYO-WASHINGTON COOPERATIVE ACTION.

NYT CALLS ON TOKYO AND MOSCOW TO COOPERATE WITH INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION EFFORTS TO LIMIT SLAUGHTER OF WHALES.

#### 14. THAILAND

JUST RETURNED FROM ASIA TRIP, NYDN'S NATIONAL EDITOR SUNDERLAND SEES LITTLE CHANCE THAIS WILL TURN VOLUNTARILY TO COMMUNISM; THEY PROBABLY WILL SUPPORT GOVT'S NEUTRALIST POLICY, PARTICULARLY IF IT KEEPS NVA AWAY.

#### 15. GENERAL

WSJ SEES HOPEFUL SIGNS TREASURY WRESTING CONTROL OF FOREIGN ECON POLICY FROM DOS, SINCE FORMER HAS BETTER GRASP MARKET ECONOMICS AND WILL BE VITAL FOR ADMIN TO KNOW WHAT IT BELIEVES WHEN DISCUSSIONS OF WORLD COMMODITY PRICES RENEWED. QUOTES TREASURY OFFICIAL THAT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE NOT FARED BADLY, WITH ROC, SK, THAILAND, KENYA EXCEEDING 8-PCT ANNUAL REAL GNP GROWTH OVER LAST DECADE. NOTES ROC, SK SINGLED OUT FOR DEFICIENCIES IN PRACTICING DEMOCRACY, BUT CALLS THEM BOTH PARAGONS IN TERMS OF RELATIVE POL FREEDOM, ECON PROGRESS, COMPARED TO SOME UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES OF LEFT.

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NYDN OPINION POLL SHOWS 62-PCT AGREE WITH PRES' DECISION ON USE OF FORCE TO RETAKE MAYAGUEZ; 61-PCT FAVOR SOME FORM MIL AID TO SK IN EVENT OF WAR THERE.

KRAFT (WP 6/22) SEES HAK IN JAPAN SOCIETY SPEECH MAKING CONFESSION THAT SECRECY OF HIS FIRST PRC VISIT WAS MISTAKE. SAYS "RARE REFERENCE TO 'POPULAR WILL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE'" IMPLIES US WILL NOT UNCRITICALLY EMBRACE PARK, MARCOS, SUHARTO REGIMES. KISSINGER

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